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and granted bills of health; 476 crew and 66 steerage passengers were bathed and their baggage was disinfected—562 pieces. One vessel for Manila was fumigated with sulphur to kill rats. One case and 1 death from plague (Chinese) was the only communicable disease reported for the week. During the period covered by this report, 422 rats were caught in the colony. Three hundred and sixteen of these were caught in the city of Victoria and 106 in Kowloon. Five of these were infected—4 from Victoria and 1 from Kowloon.

*Immigrants recommended for rejection.*

Fourteen immigrants per steamship *America Maru* for San Francisco were recommended, December 18, 1903, for rejection.

One immigrant per steamship *Tremont* for Tacoma recommended, December 19, 1903, for rejection.

*Report from Shanghai—Smallpox—Plague and typhus fever in Tientsin.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ransom reports, December 24, as follows:

During the week ended December 19, 1903, 1 supplemental and 1 original bill of health were issued; 2 vessels, 96 crew, and 5 cabin passengers were inspected. There was 1 immigration inspection made with 1 rejection. Manifests were vised for 7,679 pieces of freight.

The report from the municipal health officer shows that there occurred within the settlement during the week 1 case and 1 death from smallpox, 5 cases of enteric fever and 3 cases of diphtheria. The total mortality reported was 2 foreigners and 107 natives.

Reports received from outports show that 1 fatal case of plague and 1 fatal case of typhus fever occurred at Tientsin during the week ended December 5, 1903. No cases of plague have been reported at New-Chwang since December 4, 1903. The total number of cases of bubonic plague at that port since the outbreak of the epidemic appears to have been 961, with 917 deaths.

*Immigrant for San Francisco recommended for rejection.*

One immigrant, per steamship *Doric*, for San Francisco recommended November 16, 1903, for rejection.

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*Report from Cienfuegos.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon McMahon reports, January 21, as follows: During the week ended January 16, 1904, bills of health were issued to four vessels going to ports in the United States, all in good sanitary condition and no sickness on board.

No contagious disease has appeared in the city during this week.

The sanitary condition of the city is fairly good.

The mortuary report for the week has not been received up to this date.